

Livewire Data Platform – A Solution for EEMS Data Sharing

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Overview

Timeline

- Project start date: 7/26/2018
- Project end date: 9/30/2021
 - Go/no-go at end of 2nd year
- Percent complete: 25%

Budget

- Total project funding: \$3M
 - DOE share: \$3M
- Funding for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019: \$1.5M
- Funding for FY 2020: \$1.5M

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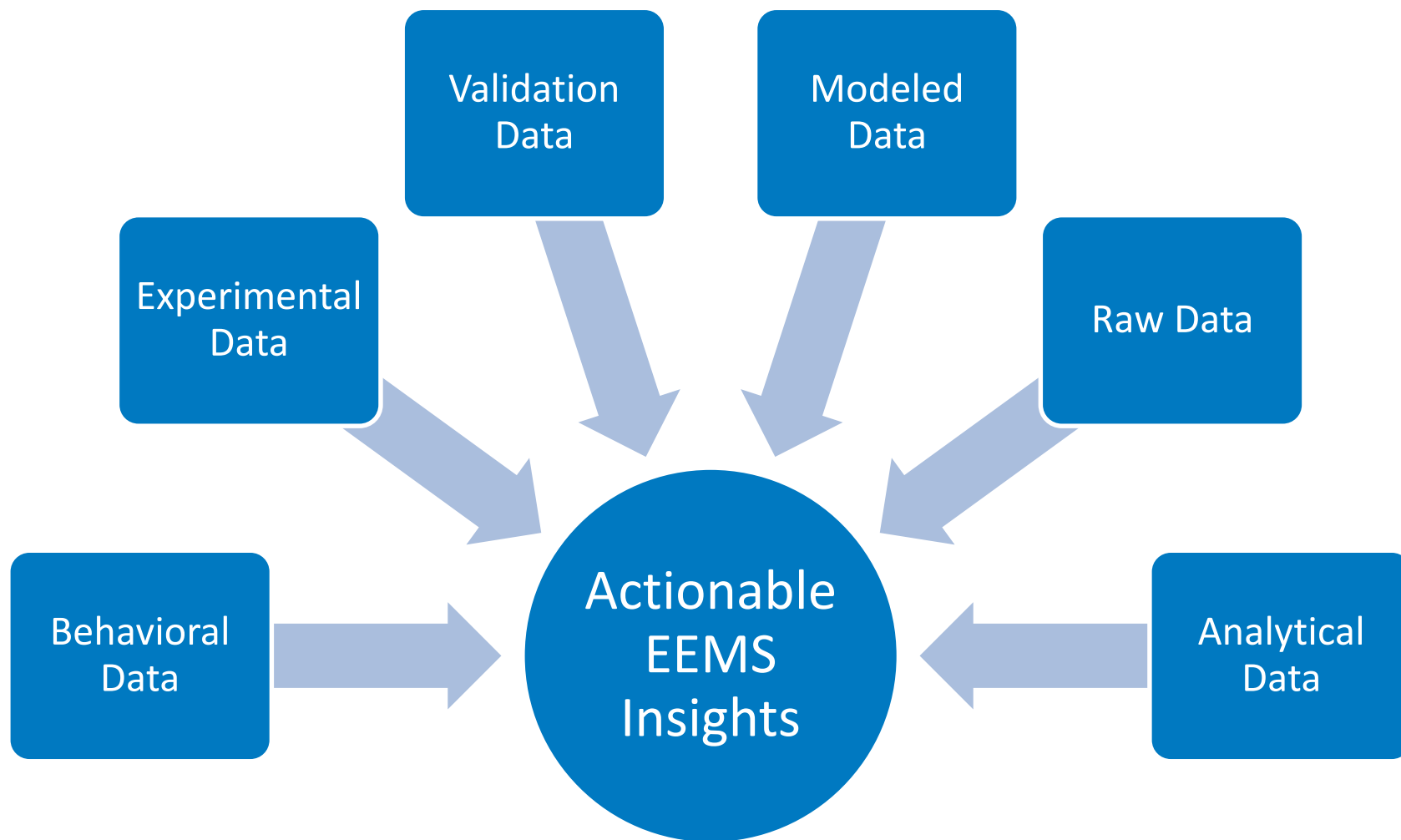
Barriers

- Expansive community of relevant stakeholders
- Difficulty in sourcing empirical real-world data applicable to new mobility technologies, such as connectivity and automation

Partners

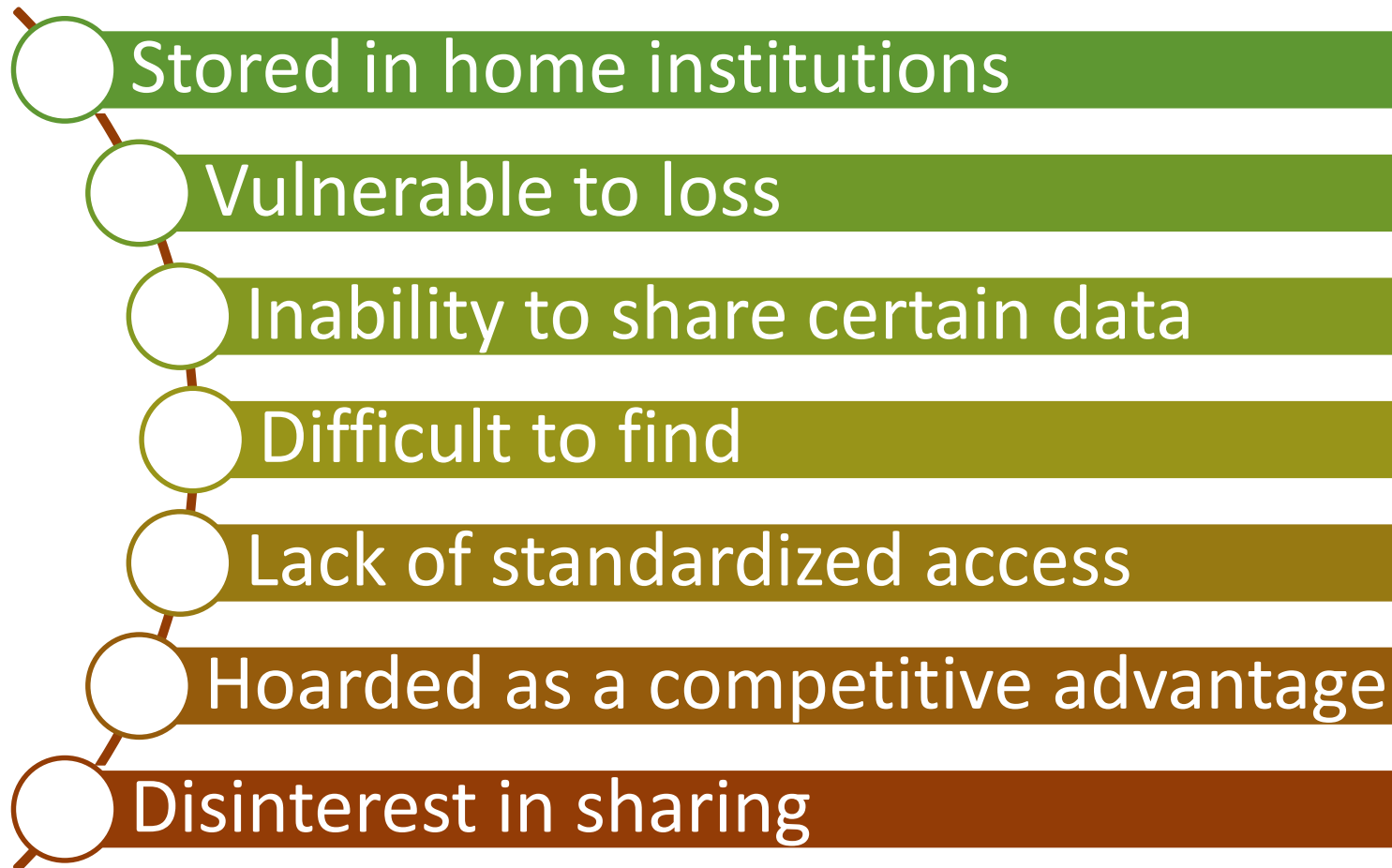
- Interactions/collaborations
Argonne National Laboratory (ANL), Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL), Globus, VTO Technology Integration (TI) Living Laboratories
- Project leads
National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL), Idaho National Laboratory (INL)

Relevance – Data is a Critical Need for EEMS



To bring about fundamental changes in our transportation system, data sharing must be endemic.

Relevance – Historical Data Challenges

- 
- Stored in home institutions
 - Vulnerable to loss
 - Inability to share certain data
 - Difficult to find
 - Lack of standardized access
 - Hoarded as a competitive advantage
 - Disinterest in sharing

Goal: Remove barriers and give EEMS researchers the data they need to answer big transportation questions

Approach – Share EEMS Data

The Livewire Data Platform provides:

- A **platform** allowing easy and secure data-sharing and discovery using both human website and computer-accessible Application Programming Interface (API) formats
- A **community** building partnerships and collaboration rather than competition
- A **system** allowing shared data to grow in size and complexity as EEMS evolves

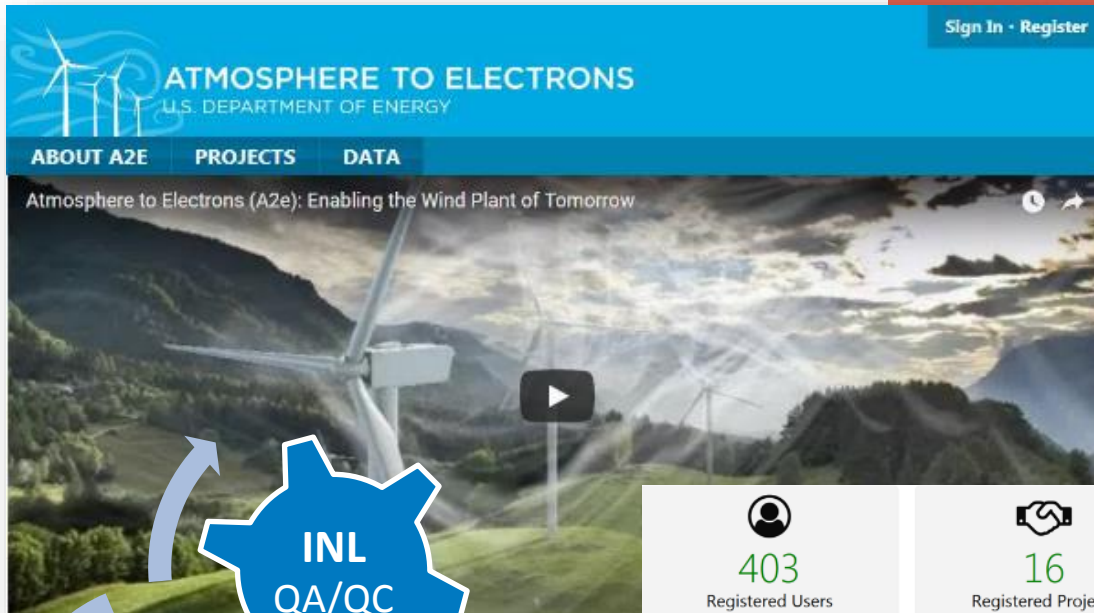
Milestone Name/Description	Deadline	Milestone Type
Develop beta Livewire platform and implement API platform, exposing at least 3 APIs	✓ 6/30/2019 On track	Quarterly Progress Measure
Implement first iteration of data catalog through the DataHUB including 10 datasets	✓ 9/30/2019 On track	Go/No-Go Milestone
Expose at least 9 APIs and catalog 20 datasets in total	9/30/2020	Go/No-Go Milestone

EEMS is the focus of this effort for FY 19, but other VTO programs have expressed interest for FY 20: the Combustion Consortium and TRUCK Consortium.

Approach – Leverage Existing Assets

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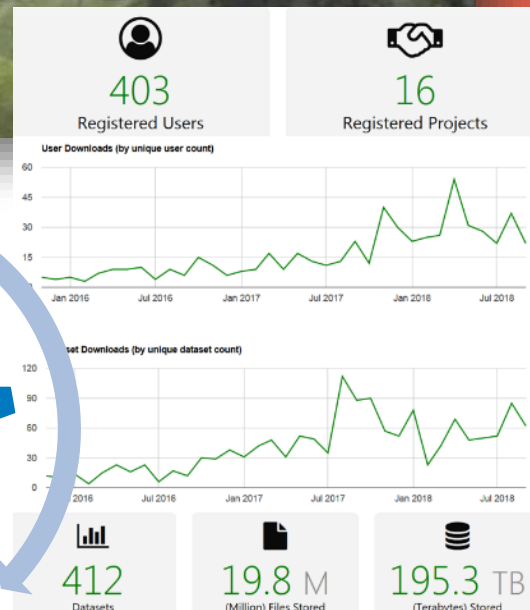
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INL
QA/QC

PNNL
Data
Portal

NREL
API
Platform



api.data.gov Usage Metrics

99,500
API users

2.07 billion
API requests served
since July 2013

14
participating agencies

Recent API Key Signups

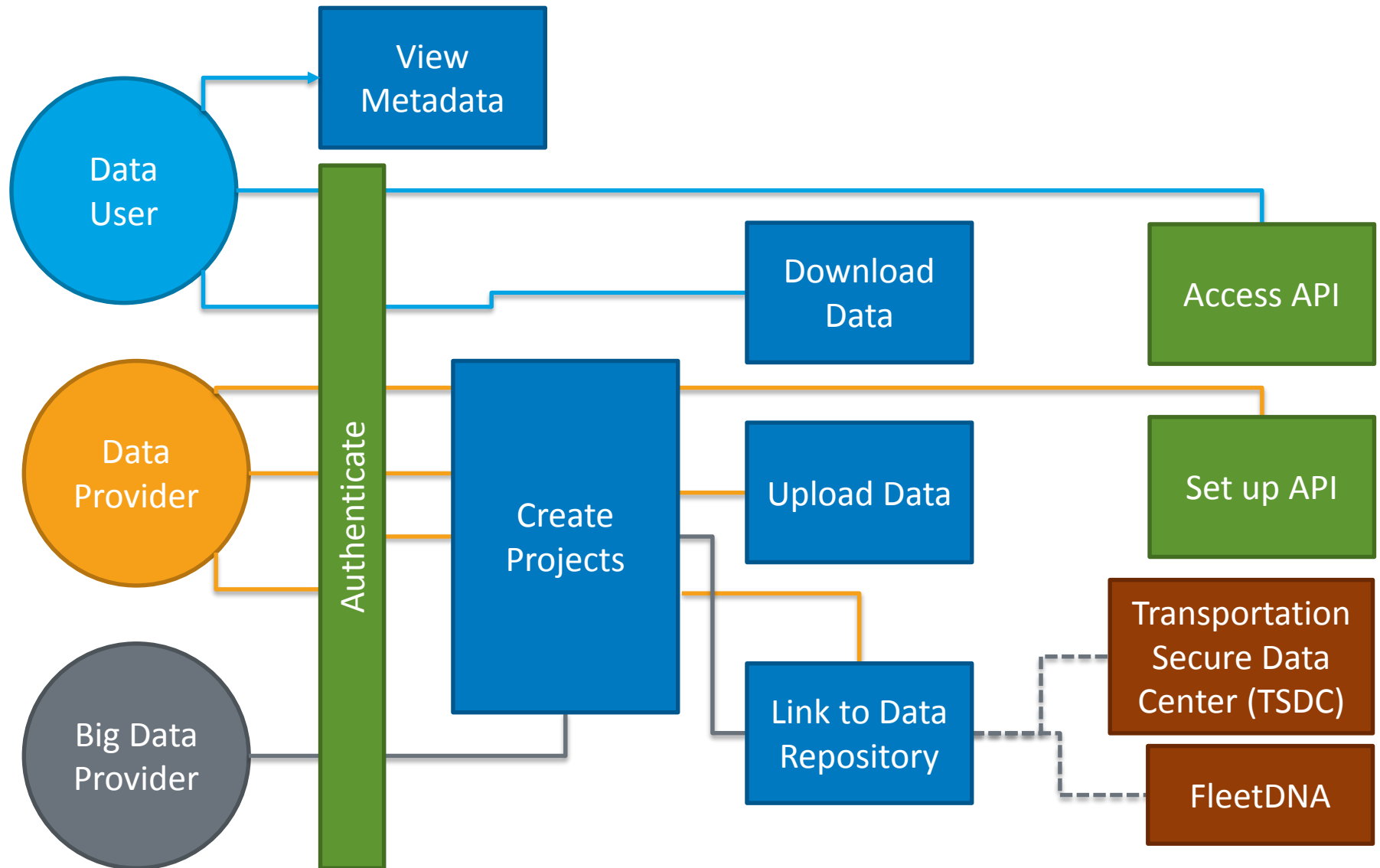


Recent API Traffic

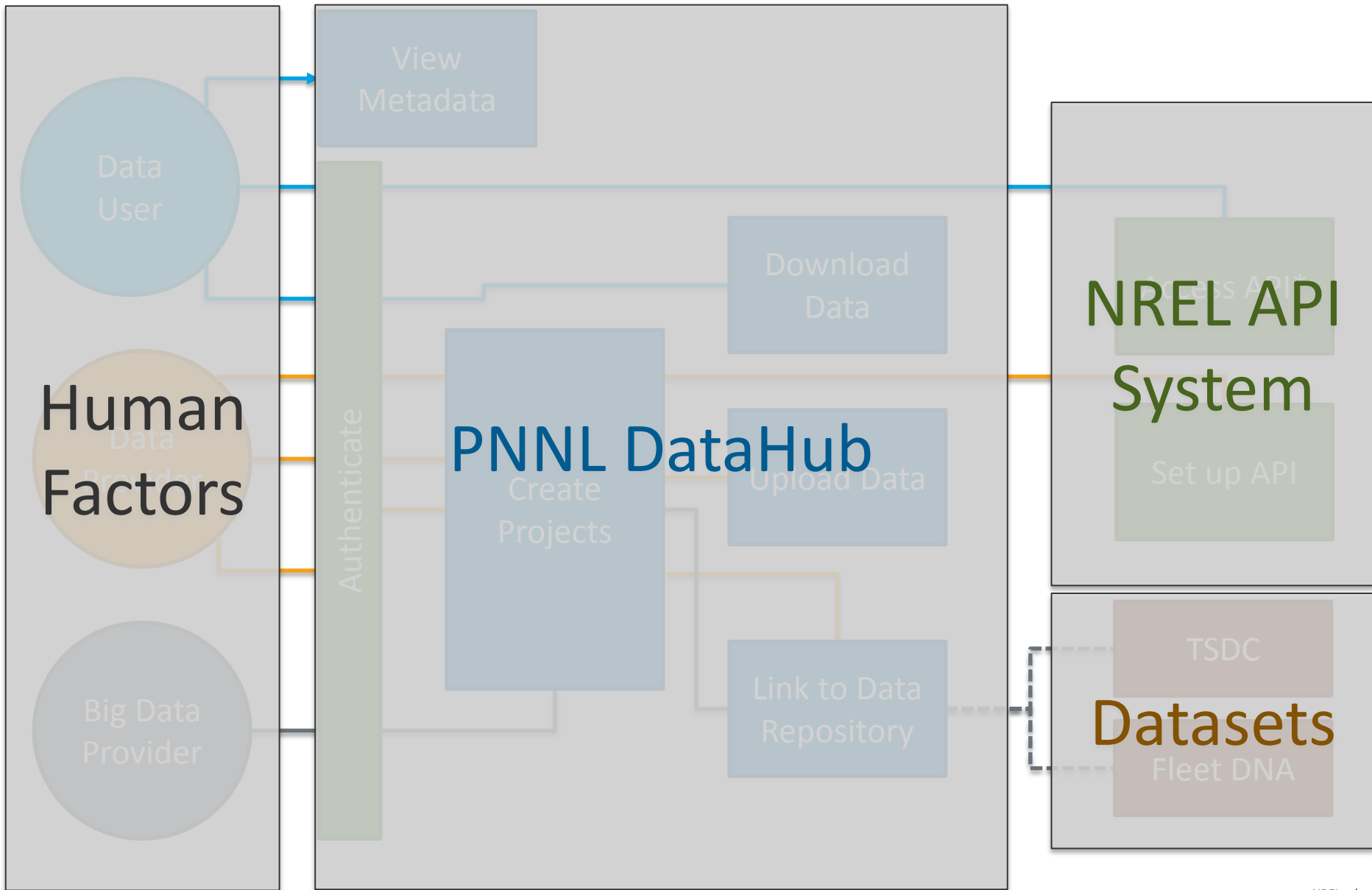


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Approach – Livewire Data Platform Tasks

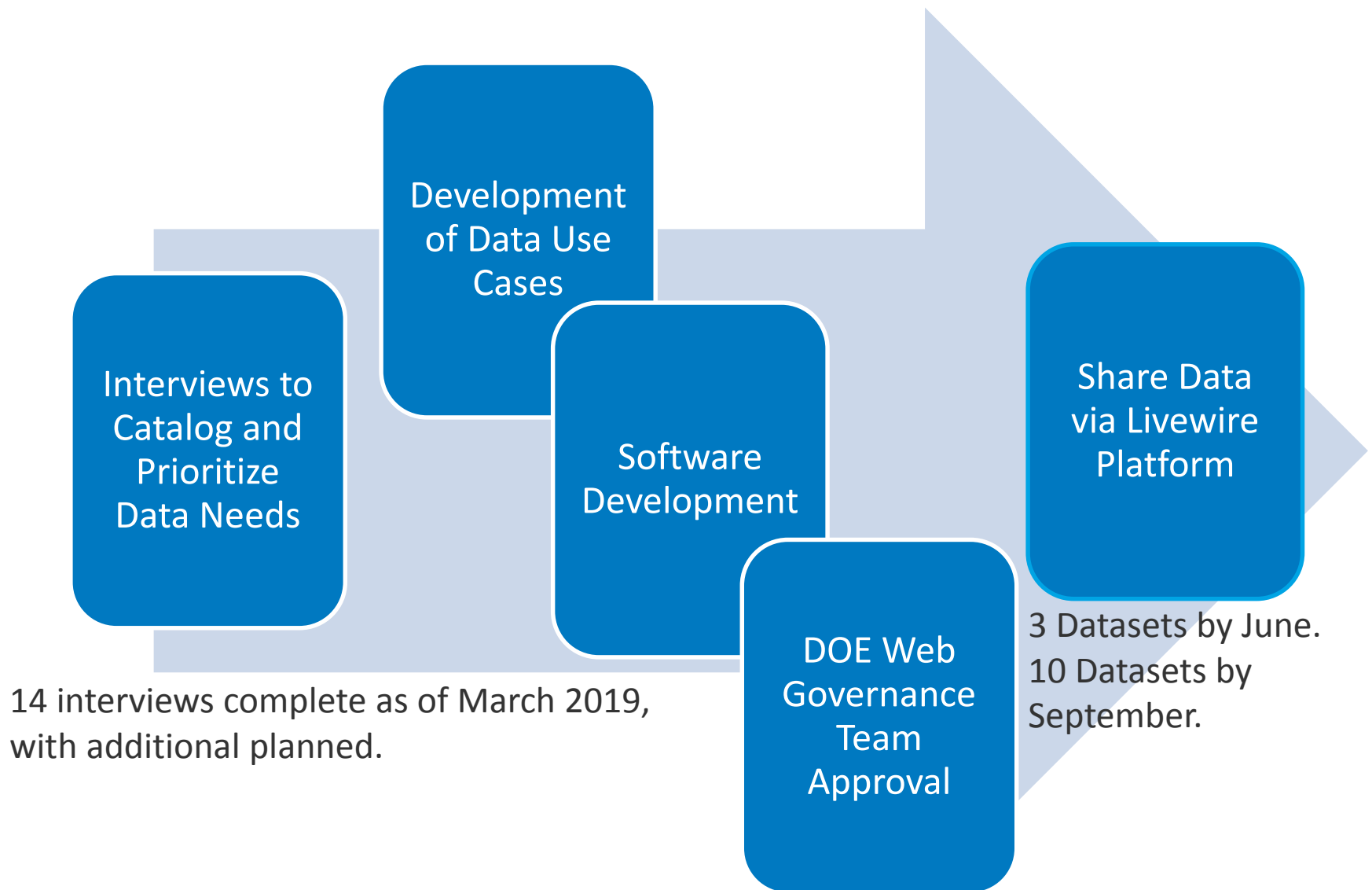
PROJECT APPROACH, TASKS & BUDGET

Task	Description	Partner Name
1	Create data management platform and expose datasets	
1.1	Develop DataHUB	PNNL
1.2	Develop API Platform	NREL
1.3	Provide QA for datasets	INL
1.4	Provide Data to Livewire	NREL, INL & EEMS partners
2	Build complex-data management capabilities	
2.1	Evaluate and gather EEMS data needs	NREL & INL
2.2	Maintain and share FleetDNA data	NREL
2.3	Maintain and share TSDC data	NREL
2.4	Evaluate complex EEMS datasets to create data sharing heuristics and prototypes	NREL
3	Address human factors limiting data sharing and facilitate working group	NREL & INL
Total		

Grey rows indicate top-level task and sum of task and/or subtask budgets.

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Accomplishment – Developed Plan



Accomplishment – Cataloged User Needs

EEMS Data Users

- Conducted over 14 interviews
- Compiled a catalog of over 43 potential datasets that people either have or would like to have

I need data!
Where do I
get data?

EEMS Data Providers

I have data but nowhere to store it so that it can be shared.

I have secure data I want to store in my own system.

I have my own data, and I can only share with a few partners.

I have data anyone can have, but I want to manage it myself.

I have data and a way to access it already.

Accomplishment – Logo and Design



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Register Dataset

Dataset name

Link to dataset

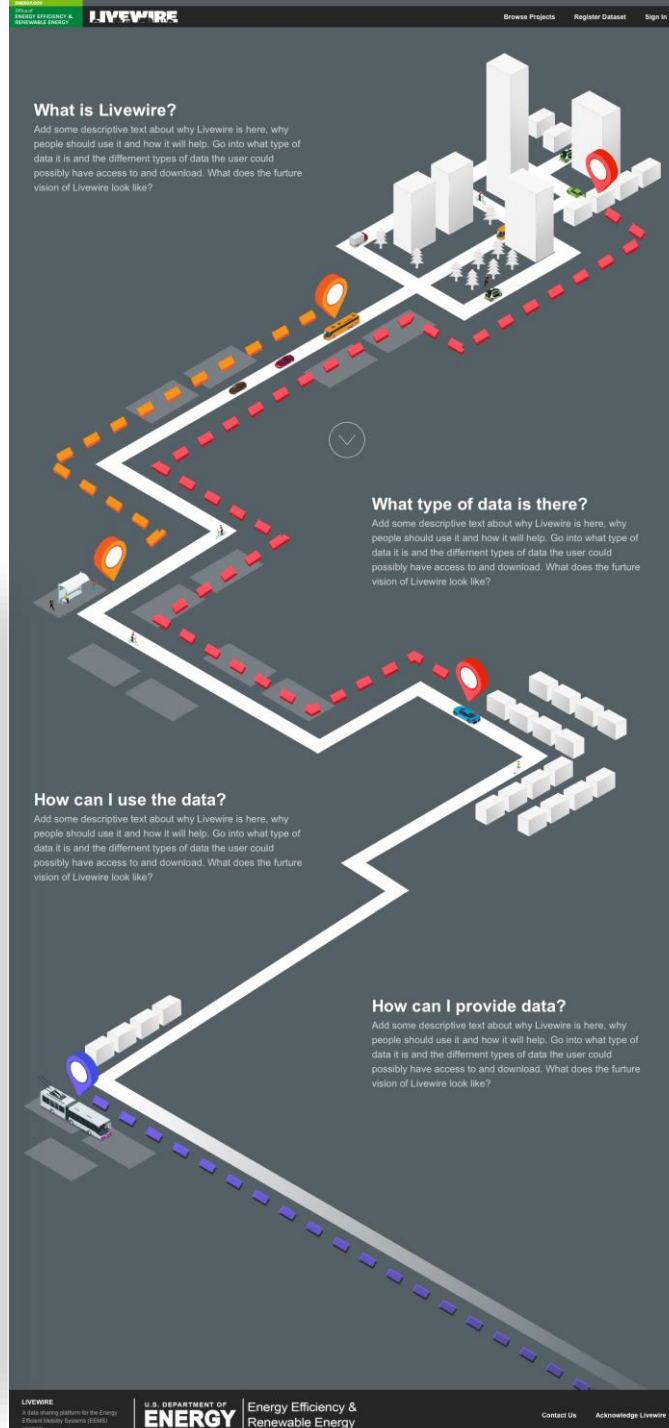
Size of data

Project
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Dataset description

Keywords

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Accomplishment – Shared First Dataset

NREL Mobility Energy Productivity (MEP) Metric quantifies the energy and affordability aspects of travel

Use Case #1

User provides a location (address or latitude and longitude), and API provides the MEP score for that location

Use Case #2

User downloads a file of all the MEP scores for an entire city on a kilometer-by-kilometer basis

Use Case #3

User downloads isochrone map data showing distance that can be traveled by transit, car, bike, or foot in a given time period

Livewire website

Livewire API

Livewire datastore

<https://api.data.gov/TEST/does/>



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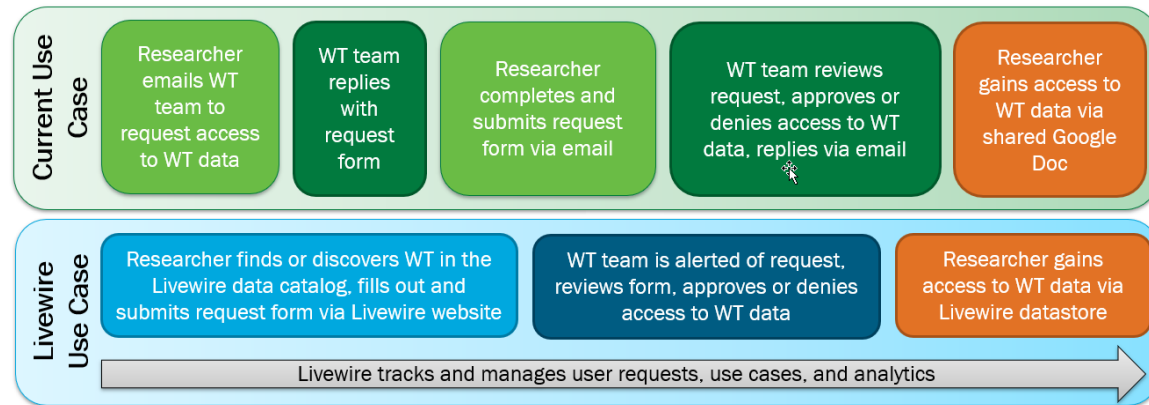
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First API Complete

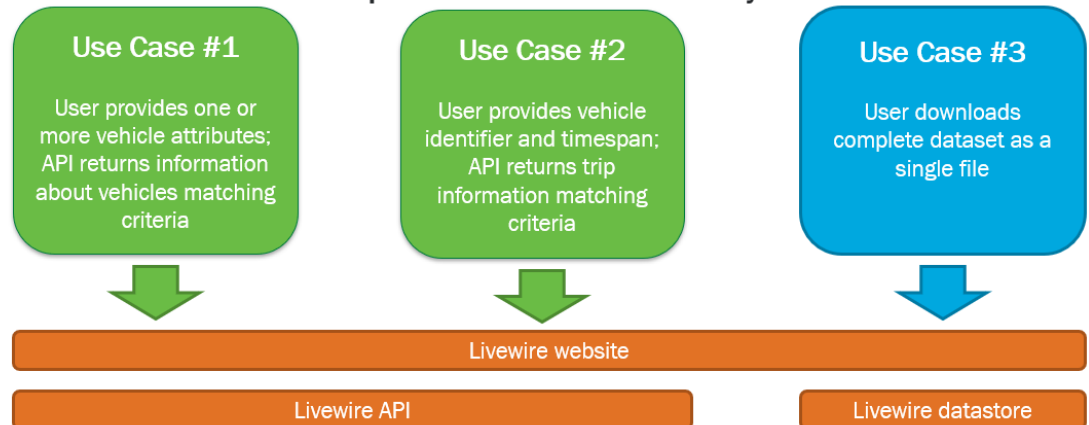
Accomplishment – Additional Shared Data

- Identified initial datasets for June release
 - MEP, Whole Traveler Survey, INL/University of Michigan (UMich) connected and automated vehicle (CAV) project
- Developing use cases for datasets that will be either hosted or linked to Livewire
- Explored researcher development stack options and decided on Amazon Web Service (AWS) Lambda/Chalice/Python for initial API development and deployment

Whole Traveler survey data helps EEMS researchers understand travel choice patterns, preferences and decision-making processes with the advent of new mobility technologies



INL UMich Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAVs) dataset provides information about CAVs participating in study and time-based trip data for duration of study



Accomplishment – Working Group

EEMS Data Sources

Living Lab Projects

Clean Cities Coalitions

SMART Projects

National Clean Fleet Partners

Private Research Data

Other Direct Relationships

Experimentation

Outputs from Other Tasks

MOD Sandbox

EEMS DATA WORKING GROUP

- ✓ Lead cultural shift toward data-sharing among labs
- ✓ Prioritize data needs/asks across tasks
- ✓ Ensure data availability via Livewire platform
- ✓ Tackle legal barriers to data-sharing

TNC

Multimodal Trips

Urban Delivery

Behavioral Data

MEP

Traffic Volumes

CAVs

Land Use

Freight

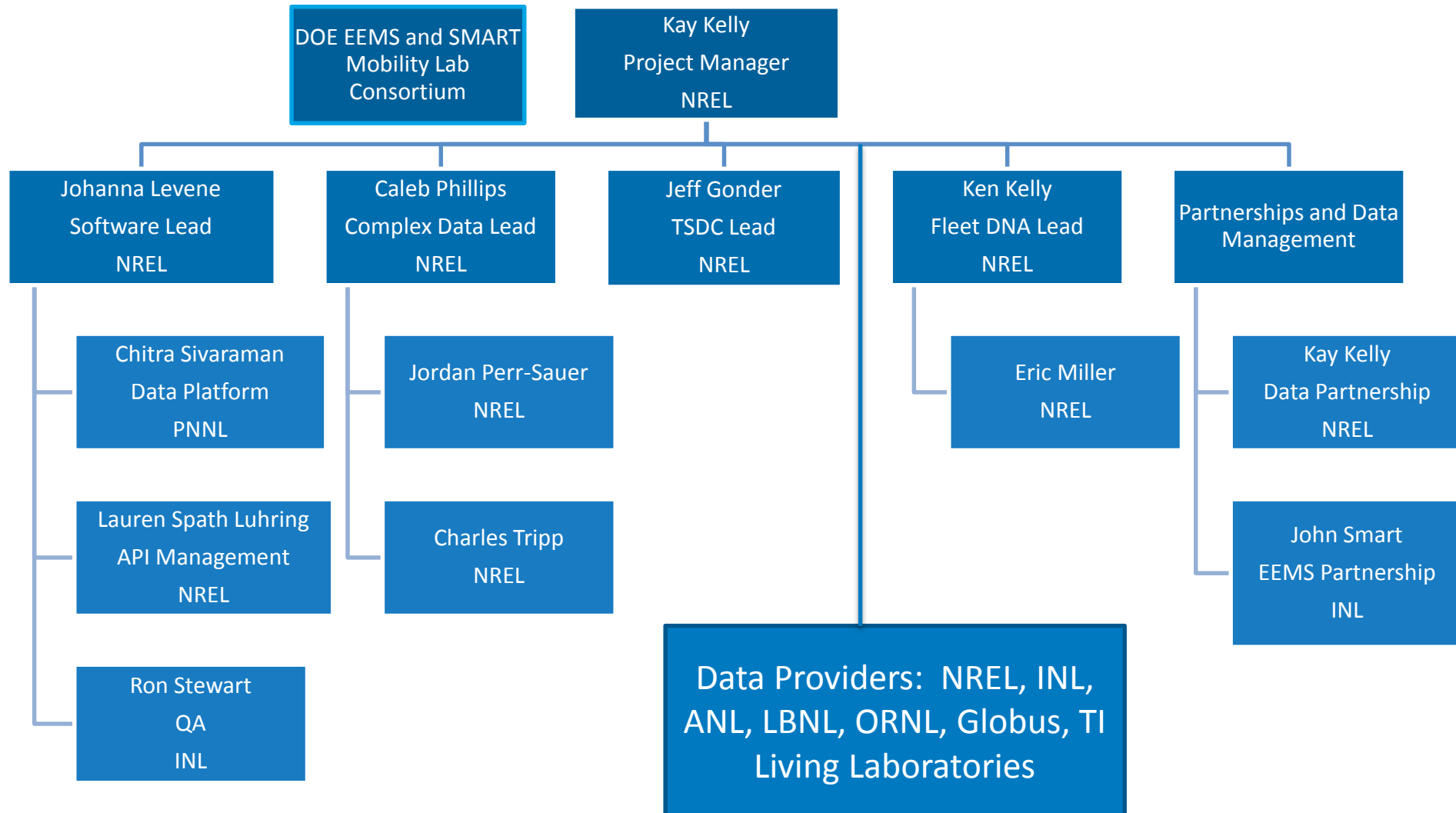
Mobility on Demand

EEMS Researcher Data Needs

Responses to Previous Year Reviewers' Comments

This project was initiated in FY 19 and was not reviewed in previous years.

Collaboration and Coordination



Remaining Challenges and Barriers

- Although adept at scripting and familiar with using APIs, many researchers have never built an API and are unfamiliar with web technologies and need coaching and a simple platform to share data
- Large complex datasets, such as telematics and driver surveys, require expansion of the platform to effectively share data
- Legal challenges around non-disclosure agreements and licenses make sharing data difficult

Proposed Future Research Beyond FY 19

Build
Complex
Data
Management
Capabilities

Incorporating
Fleet DNA, TSDC
and other large
datasets

Tackle
Difficult Legal
Challenges
that Hinder
Sharing

Expand
Researcher
Data
Suppliers and
Users

Share More
Data!

FY 20: 9 APIs, 20 datasets

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Summary

- Over 14 user interviews have validated that an EEMS data-sharing platform is needed
- A catalog of over 43 EEMS-relevant datasets have been identified
- By leveraging two existing successful platforms (<https://a2e.energy.gov> and <https://api.data.gov>), the Livewire Data Platform can be built efficiently
- Three datasets will be available by the end of June: MEP, Whole Traveler Survey, UMich CAVs Project
- Ten datasets will be available by the end of September
- Data will be protected behind an authentication process and usage of data will be gathered for both API and data downloads
- Involving researchers and partners in the development process aids in the reduction of human barriers to data-sharing

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Technical Back-Up Slides

INL UMich CAVs Use Case

INL UMich CAVs dataset provides information about vehicles participating in study and time-based trip data

Use Case #1

User provides one or more vehicle attributes;
API returns information about vehicles matching criteria



Use Case #2

User provides vehicle identifier and timespan;
API returns trip information matching criteria



Use Case #3

User downloads complete dataset as a single file



Livewire website

Livewire API

Livewire datastore

Whole Traveler Survey Use Case

Livewire Data Platform provides an easier method for sharing data, allowing researchers to spend time doing research and not managing data

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Current Use Case

Researcher emails WT team to request access to WT data

WT team replies with request form

Researcher completes and submits request form via email

WT team reviews request, approves or denies access to WT data, replies via email

Researcher gains access to WT data via shared Google Doc

Livewire Use Case

Researcher finds or discovers WT in the Livewire data catalog, fills out and submits request form via Livewire website

WT team is alerted of request, reviews form, approves or denies access to WT data

Researcher gains access to WT data via Livewire datastore

Livewire tracks and manages user requests, use cases, and analytics